

**Amendments in the Claims:** (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (currently amended) An aerosol can support and actuating device comprising:

5 an elongated pole having a bottom end and a top end, said top end being open, an aperture extending into an interior of said pole, a notch extending into said top end ~~such that a lip is defined~~ and forming a lip, said lip being spaced from said top end, said aperture being positioned nearer said bottom end than said top end, the aerosol can being positionable on and extending  
10 upwardly from said lip;

an elongated tether extending through said aperture and outwardly through said top end;

an attaching member being attached to said pole for selectively attaching the aerosol can to the pole when the aerosol can is positioned on the lip; and

15 wherein said tether is removably coupled to an actuator of the aerosol can for selectively dispensing contents of the aerosol can.

2. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein a distance between said lip and said top end is generally between seven and nine inches.

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3. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein said pole is selectively telescoping and including a plurality of sections slidably coupled together, said sections being selectively lockable in an extended position.

25 4. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein a first end of said tether being positioned adjacent to said aperture, a second end of said tether being positioned adjacent to said top end, a hook being attached to said second end of said tether for engaging the actuator.

5. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein said attaching member includes a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a hook and loop fastener being attached to said strap for fastening said strap around the aerosol can.

6. (original) The device of claim 3, wherein said attaching member includes a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a hook and loop fastener being attached to said strap for fastening said strap around the aerosol can.

7. (original) The device of claim 6, further including a handle being attached to said bottom end of said pole.

8. (original) The device of claim 1, further including a handle being attached to said bottom end of said pole.

9. (original) An aerosol can support and actuating device comprising:  
an elongated pole having a bottom end and a top end, said top end being open, an aperture extending into an interior of said pole, a notch extending into said top end ~~such that a lip is defined~~ and forming a lip, said lip being spaced from said top end, the aerosol can is positioned on and extends upwardly form said lip, a distance between said lip and said top end being generally between seven and nine inches, said aperture being positioned nearer said bottom end than said top end, said pole being selectively telescoping and including a plurality of sections slidably coupled together, said sections being selectively lockable in an extended position;

an elongated tether extending through said aperture and outwardly through said top end, a first end of said tether being positioned adjacent to said aperture, a second end of said tether being positioned adjacent to said top end, a hook being attached to said second end of said tether;

an attaching member being attached to said pole for selectively attaching the aerosol can to the pole when the aerosol can is positioned on the lip, said attaching member being positioned generally adjacent to said top end, said

attaching member including a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a hook and loop fastener being attached to said strap for fastening said strap around the aerosol can;

5 a handle being attached to said bottom end of said pole; and wherein said tether is removably coupled to an actuator of the aerosol can for selectively dispensing contents of the aerosol can.

10. (currently amended) An aerosol can support and actuating device comprising:

10 an elongated pole having a bottom end and a top end, said top end being open, an aperture extending into an interior of said pole, a notch extending into said top end ~~such that~~ and forming a lip is defined extending that extends into a peripheral side of said pole, said lip being spaced from said top end and defining a ledge, the aerosol can being removably positioned on said  
15 ledge, said notch further forming a pair of vertical edges extending upwardly from said ledge, the aerosol can abutting said vertical edges, said aperture being positioned nearer said bottom end than said top end; an elongated tether extending through said aperture and outwardly through said top end;

20 an attaching member being attached to said pole for selectively attaching the aerosol can to the pole when the aerosol can is positioned on the lip; and wherein said tether is removably coupled to an actuator of the aerosol can for selectively dispensing contents of the aerosol can.

25 11. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, wherein a distance between said lip and said top end is generally between seven and nine inches.

30 12. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, wherein said pole is selectively telescoping and including a plurality of sections slidably coupled together, said sections being selectively lockable in an extended position.

## Claim 13 (not entered)

14. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, wherein a first end of said  
tether being positioned adjacent to said aperture, a second end of said tether being  
5 positioned adjacent to said top end, a hook being attached to said second end of said  
tether for engaging the actuator.

15. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, wherein said attaching  
member includes a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a hook and loop fastener  
10 being attached to said strap for fastening said strap around the aerosol can.

16. (previously presented) The device of claim 13, wherein said attaching  
member includes a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a hook and loop fastener  
being attached to said strap for fastening said strap around the aerosol can.  
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17. (previously presented) The device of claim 16, further including a handle  
being attached to said bottom end of said pole.

18. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, further including a handle  
20 being attached to said bottom end of said pole.

19. (previously presented) The device of claim 10, wherein:  
said aperture is positioned nearer said bottom end than said top end, said pole  
being selectively telescoping and including a plurality of sections slidably  
25 coupled together, said sections being selectively lockable in an extended  
position;  
a second end of said tether is positioned adjacent to said top end, a hook being  
attached to said second end of said tether;  
said attaching member is positioned generally adjacent to said top end, said  
30 attaching member including a strap for extending around the aerosol can, a

hook and loop fastener being attached to said strap for fastening said strap  
around the aerosol can; and  
a handle being attached to said bottom end of said pole; and wherein said tether is  
removably coupled to an actuator of the aerosol can for selectively  
dispensing contents of the aerosol can.

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